FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1865.

Pay the Soldiers. We have on our table a number of communications from private soldiers complaining of the neglect of the government to pay them. The writers are married men whose families are in distress for the want of money to purchase food and clothing. We deeply sympathize with them; but nothing can be accomplished by publishing their correspondence. Lay your complaints. boys, before the President. He will heed and have them attended to.

The pro-slavery prophets are all at a sad discount. They assured the country that there never would be an end town, parish, district, or county within of the rebellion unless the emancipation policy of the National Government was abandoned. The war has come to a close, and so has slavery. The prophets occupy back seats.

Meeting of Mississippians.

A meeting of loval Mississippians was held at Memphis on the 11th inst., for the purpose of appointing delegates . to a Reconstruction Convention to be held at Vicksburg on the 5th of June next. John W. Wood, Esq., presided, associated by W. C. H. Bugh and T. Gillespie as Secretaries. The following preamble and resolutions were thereof, unless some person shall by Second Altorf, dam by J bid a larger sum; and in that case the \$500. To carry 107 pounds.

WHEREAS, We deem it our duty to heartily co operate with our fellew-citizens who are endeavoring to restore our State to its proper position in the Government, therefore,

lst. Resolved, That we hereby request all loyal Mississippians to attend, as delegates, a convention of the loyal citizens of Mississippi, to be held at Vicksburg, on the 5th of June, proximo, for the purpose of reorganizing civil Government in the State of Mississippi.

2d. Resolved, That we, as loyal citizens of the State of Misssssippi, obligate ourselves to return to our respective counties in the State, and exert ourselves to the best of our abilities to secure full delegations of loyal representatives in said convention. Resolved, That we heartily endorse

the policy of the Government of the United States with regard to slavery, the Consitution of the United States, and that we deem it the duty of the her practical relations with the Government as speedily as possible.

Resolved, That we denounce the assassination of Abraham Lincoin, late

President of the United States, as a crime of the deepest dye, and believe that the people of our State condemn the act, and denounce it as atrocious. The very best feeling prevailed and the meeting adjourned with the under- certificates of indebtedness of the Unitstanding that all present, who could, ed States, shall, upon such redemption

would attend the Vicksburg Conventisame, with the interest accruing after CLEMENT C. CLAY. - The Washington

correspondent of the Boston Journal Positive information has been re-

ceived here that Clement C. Clay, of person of unsound mind, or under a le-Alabama, who was in Canada last fall gal disability, the guardian, trustee, or and winter, reached Richmond on the iny before its evacuation by the rebels, there are reasons for believing hat he carried tidings of the atrocious alot for the murder of the President, he agents of which, excepting perhaps oth, were the mere hirelings of the The rebel General Ben. Hill has said sale, be bid in by said commission-

turned over all his men, some seven hundred, with their arms and horses, States: And provided, further, That the to the United States. The men were certificate of said commis ioners shall paroled. Ben. goes to his home at only be affected as evidence of the re-The Selma (Ala.) Union of May 1st,

says Forrest had a personal difficulty with Chalmers, another rebel General, during the fight there with Wilson. Forrest choked Chalmers nearly to

During the week ending the 6th inst, the subscriptions to the 730 loan tion of sny lands or tenements which amounted to \$40,300,000; the ensuing have been or shall be sold fly a board week to \$98,384,650. Thus in twelve of tax commissioners shall elapse, and working days the people loaned the government upwards of one HUNDRED thorized and required to cause a patent AND THIRTY-EIGHT AND A HALF MILLIONS OF OT patents to be issued to any such per-DOLLARS.-What a country and what a

Brig. Gen. H. M. Judah has assumed command of the District of the Etowah, Headquarters at Chattanooga.

Gen. Cruft is to have an important command in Upper East Tennessee.

When Jeff Davis was caught in his wife's dress he said he thought our "government more magnanimous than to hunt down women and children." We presume he meant to include himself among the former: though the silliness of his conduct might stamp him as one of the latter, and a very sioners and not redeemed, shall, after see Mounted Infantry, recovered young one at that

Important Orders from the War Be- ance of the proceeds of sale of such Captain of the defunct Confederate partment-Inemployed Generals to WASHINGTON, May 17. A general or- his lien, if a sufficient sum shall be left

der has been issued frem the War De- for such purpose, after the payment of dollars from the same Southern rights Knox, Campbell, Scott, Morgan, Anderpartment, as follows: All forces of the enemy east of the er with the costs and expenses of sale, Mississippi river having been duly sur-the payment of all prior liens, under rendered by their commanders to the such rules and regulations, and after B. Carmichael, Captain William Snow, The counties of Hamilton, of the enemy east of the Mississippi, it er shall be entitled to redeem unless, is ordered that from and after the lst in addition to the oath prescribed by day of June, 1865, all such persons existing laws, he shall swear that he sums similar to those mentioned, from States, or who may commit in this present rebellion, or in any way acts of hostility against it east given them aid or comfort, and shall of the Mississippi river, will be re-garded as guerrillas and punished with said cath is true: Provided, also, That a death. A strict enforcement and exe- tenant, at suffrance or at will, shall not cution of this order is especially en-joined upon the commanders of the United States forces within territorial unless he shall satisfy the board of limits to which it applies. According commissioners, in addition to the other introduced in the last Congress, grantto an order of the War Department the requirements of the law, that the own-Adjutant General has been directed to er of the reversionary estate has been commence mustering honorably out of loyal and not in any manner engaged the service all General, Field and Staff in this rebellion, nor in giving aid and the service until the close of the war. officers who are employed, and whose comfort to the rebels.

WAE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, May where lands or tenements have been, 17, P. M .- A review of the galiant or shall hereafter be, sold under the armies now assembling around Washington will take place here on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

The Cincinnati Gazette of the 17th inst. owners, in severalty, any one of these The Cincinnati Gazette of the 17th inst. owners, being otherwise entitled to receive upon being owners, being otherwise entitled to receive, upon being dth ed popular branch of the Tennessee the piece or parcel of land held by him mustered out of said service, three Legislature enacting a code for the govas a freehold owner, as aforesaid, on
paying his proportionable part of the months pay proper.
The bill was passed on the 3d this State. The Gazette regards it as "very much like a measure to retain be ascertained by the said board of exclusive of commutation for rations, slavery under another name."

Direct Tax Law. AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An act for the collection of direct taxes in insurrectionary districts within the United Stotes, and for other purposes," approved June seven, eighteen hundred and sixty-

read as follows: Section 7, And be it

tion of this act, to cause the same to

be advertised for sale in a newspaper

any other newspaper to be selected by

four weeks, and by posting notices of said sale in three public places in the

which said lands are situate, at least

son before the said board of commi

the certificates of sale: And pro

cording to the provisions of this act.

Approved February 6, 1863.

TORY ACT OF 1865.

been fully paid, the President is au-

son as may be the bona fide purchaser,

in case of an assignment or transfer

plying for such patent shall give satis-

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted. That

mencement of this rebellion, or alien

not have taken part against the United

States in this rebellion) of a person

whose lands or tenements shall have

been sold by a board of tax commis-

be entitled to payment out of the bal-

Sec. 15. And be it further enacted, That

provisions of the several acts of Con-

direct tax e insurrectiona v districts.

commissioners. And it shall be op, servants, &c.

in tracts which, at the time of sale,

ceding transfers or assignments.

tional with the purchaser either to re-tain the residue of the tract purchased after a redemption of a part, or to sur-render his certificate of purchase to the commissioners, and receive back from them the amount of the purchase mon ey paid, with interest; and in case he shall elect to retain the piece or parcel unredeemed, he shall surrender his Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the certificate for the whole tract purchased, and the said board shall issue a seventh section of an act entitled "An new certificate for the piece or parcel act for the collection of direct taxes in insurrectionary districts within the United States, and for other purposes," approved June seven, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, be amended so as to

St. Louis Spring Races-Laclede Asso ciation Course. LAST DAY-SATURDAY, MAY 13.

further enacted, That the said board of per cent entrance to go to the secon commissioners shall be required, in case the taxes charged upon the said lots and parcels of land shall not be H Taylor enters b h Prairie Bird, by Sovereign, dam by Glencoe, 5 years old; colors red and red......

paid as provided for in the third sec-E Thompson enters sh Prince of Wales, by Lexpublished in the town, parish, district, or county, or if the publisher thereof refuse to publish the same, then in ington, dam Cylonia, by imp. Herrold, 5 years old; colors red and orange..... said commissiones in said district, or in the city of Washington, for at least W H Renfrew enters b m

Mamona, by imp. Sover-eign, dam by Glencoe, 7 gal Tender, by imp. Sov-ereign, dam the dam Idle-

four weeks previous to the day of sale; and at the time and place of sale to RG Mayfield enters s h Abu cause the same to be severally sold to Beker, by Mahomet, dam Rescue, by Beethoven; colthe highest bidder for a sum not less than the taxes, penalty, and costs, and ors red and white ten per centum per annum interest on Time-1:451. said tax, pursuant to said notice; in Selling Race-Purse \$250-dash

all cases where the owner of said lots or parcels of ground shall not, on or two miles. Entrance, 50 per cent. to go to before the day of sale, appear in persecond horse. sioners and pay the amount of said tax. W. H. Renfrew enters s. c., by Ringold, dam Little Peggy, 3 years old. Old price \$500. Weight 76 pounds. with ten per centum interest thereon, with the cost of advertising the same. J. Ballard enters b. h., Alfred Harris,

The said commissioners shall be authorized at said sale to bid off the same for by Sovereign, dam, Mistress, 6 years olc. Price \$1,000. Weight 123 lbs. the United States at a sum not exceed-J. W. Weldon onters a. g. Red Oak, ing two thirds of the assessed value by Second Altorf, dam by Job. same shall be struck off to the highest Mile and repeat-Purse \$500-free to all. hidder, who shall, upon paying the pur-

chase money in gold and silver coin, or Entrence-5 per cent, to go the Second in the Treasury notes of the United States, or in United States notes, or in R. J. Mayfield enters ch. g., by Pot-8-tos, dam by Mam certificates of indebtedness against the ona, 3 years old; color fan-

United States, be entitled to receive from said commissioners their certifi-J. C. Kelley enters b. f. Lutecate of sale; which said certificate shall be received in all courts and places as string, by Lexington, dam by Glencoe, 4 years old; Color black and orange... 2 prima facie evidence of the regularity and validity of said sale, and of the C. C. Tife enters b. h. Jim title of the said purchaser or purcha-Sherwood, by Lexington, sers under the same: Provided, That dam Nancy Perkins, 5 the owner of said lots of ground, or any loyal person of the United States. years old; colors red and white having any valid lien upon or interest in Time-1:509: 148. the same, may at any time, within sixty

The Cotton Crop of Mississippi and Eastern Louisiana

days after said sale, appear before the said board of tax commissioners in his The New Orleans Price Current of and paying the amount of said tax and President mentioned in the second section of this act, at the rate staple. As such, his views at the presof fifteen per centum per annum, together with the expenses of the sale ent time are entitled to the careful consideration of all parties interested and subsequent proceedings to be determined by said commissioners, may rein the trade. Mr. Gribble says nothdeem said lots of land from said sale; and ing remained on hand of any purchaser under the same having crops previous to 1861 and that in estimating the quantities on hand paid moneys, Treasury notes, or other we have only to deal with the past being made, be entitled to have the subsequent years he makes the following estimates, which he supports by said sale, returned to him by the said statistical references, and the result of commissioners, upon surrendering up his recent observations in lower Missisfurther. That if the owner of said lots of

further, That if the owner of said lots of ground shall be a minor, a non-resident alien, or loyal citizen beyond seas, a person of unsound mind, or under a legal disability, the guardian, trustee, or other person having charge of the per-	Crop of 1861
son or estate of such person may re- deem the same at any time within two years after the sale thereof, and in the parcels, or lots of land which may be	Deduct exports to date 500,000 consumption U.

years after the sale thereof, and in the parcels, or lots of land which may be selected under the direction of the Pre-1861 and 1863 inclusive 2,200,000 sident for government use, for war, mil-Burned and otherwise itary, naval, revenue, charitable, edudestroyed...........600,000-3,300,000 cational, or police purposes, may, at

ers, under the direction of the Presi dent, for, and struck off to the United Deduct also damaged and rotten cotton ...

We have, then, of merchantagularity and validity of sale, by estabble cotton, including the lishing the fact that said property was probable crop of 1865, availnot subject to taxes, or that the taxes able both for export and

had been paid previous to sale, or that the property had been redeemed acset down for the growing crop (600,000) bales), and add the quantity deducted as damaged and rotting in the interior EXTRATS FROM THE AMENDA-(500;000 bales), we have 1,800,000 bales as the entire amount now on hand. The popular estimate in our cotton cir-Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That cles is from 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 bales, after the time allowed for the redempshowing no great discrepancy with Mr. Gribble's views,

Crushing Treason.

after the purchase money shall have A severe blow for the suppression of the rebellion in East Tennessee was given last week at Cleveland, in Bradley county. This charge and route of the owner, assignee, or transferee of such enemies of the Federal Government, lands or tenements under and by virtue says the Knoxville Whig, was made of any certificates of sale, or under and by Hon. Elijah T. Hall, Judge of the county of Bradley. fer of such certificate : Provided, That

We refer to the suits brought by loyof a certificate of sale, the person ap- al citizens of Bradley county against their rebel neighbors for having them factory proof to the Commissioner of incarcerated in rebel jails for their pathe General Land Office of the pre- triotism.

Treasury Department in this city, re- Capitol. covered for false imprisonment, the any lien creditor (being a loyal citizen of the United States from the com- sum of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dol lars in a suit brought against W. H Tibbs, (member of the rebel Congress,) subject of a friendly nation who shall James W. Gillespie, Colonel of the de ceased Confederate States Army, and

Elijah F Johnston Stephen Beard, Colonel 6th Tennes the period of redemption has elapsed, twenty thousand dollars same Wm. H. Tibbs and Wm. L. Brown lands and tenements, after the same States Army. Major J. S. Bradford, shall have been paid into the Treasury United States Army, recovered the of the United States, of the amount of same sum from the same parties. Sam. Hunt recovered ten thousand

all claims of the United States, togeth- gentlemen. Wm. Gamble recovered twenty-two Several other Union men recovered in arms against the United has not taken part with the insurgents their rebel neighbors. All these men Coffee, Franklin, Lincoln, Bedford, on that pass. were in prison with Dr. Hunt.—Chatta Marshall, and Giles shall compose the nooga Gazette.

Extra Pay to Army Officers.

The Cincinnati Commercial says some doubt has been expressed, by officers unless he shall satisfy the board of of the army, as to the passage of a bill ing three months pay, as a sort of bo-It is a law, and is published officially in the statutes at large of the Thirty. eighth Congress, second session. was made a part of the Army Approgress relatir; to the sale of lands for priation Bill. We quote as follows: SECTION 4. And be it further enacted, That all officers of volunteers now in commission below the rank of Brigadier General, who shall continue in the

TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE. SEVENTH WEEK.

THURSDAY, May 18. The Senate met at 91 o'clock. Pray er by Rev. Mr. Prettyman. Mr. Trimble introduced No. 89, to do justice and render persons of African decent competent witnesses in all the Courts of Tennessee.

SENATE.

He said that he thought that Tennessee ought to keep pace with the United States on this question, whose Courts received the testimony of negroes, and that he would like to hear any one speak who was not in favor of the bill, and he would respectfully ask any Senator what his reasons are and why he opposed the same.

Mr. Butler said that at the beginning

of this session it was agreed that this suppress guearilla warfar kind of legislation should be let alone and for other purposes. until the regular session. That no one had been thinking on the same and he supposed that the gentleman had and was prepared to make a speech Mr Trimble said that he had not pre-

pared himself and that he never had in his life: that he was here to do his duty 0 and not merely to write out and make rhetorical speeches. After some further debate Mr Trims ble moved that it be deferred until the

0 Fall session, which motion was concurred in. A message from the House informed the Senate that it had passed House bills Nos 1, 19 and 31 and House Joint resolution No 31 and returned the same for the signature of the Speaker

of the Senate. Mr Frierson introduced Senate bill No 90 for the benefit of freedmen. Passed first reading and referred to the committee on Freed men. Mr Butler offered Senate resolution No 60, that the Governor be requested to lay before the Legislature all cor

respondence, if any, he may have had with James T. Dunlap, late Comptroller of the Treasury, relative to a return of the archieves of the State, also with Vernon K. Stevenson, President of the Nashville and Chattanooga Rail Road Company, relative to said road, also with Granville C. Terbet, late President of the Bank of Tennessee, relative to a return of the assets of said Bank. Mr Peart introduced Senate Bill No.

91, to aid in the burial of the Southern Confederacy and for other purposes. Mr. Hall moved that it lay over until the fall term, which he withdrew. Mr. Smith moved its reference to the Joint Judiciary Committee, as it was on the subject of enfranchisement. Mr. Senter said that he would like to

have some bill on the franchise of some dis white man, and not mix the color of the committees. Mr. Hall's motion was renewed and adopted, and the bill was transmitted

to the House. House Bill No. 43, to encourage the the State. Passed third reading date of the said proclamation of the this article, Mr. J. B. Gribble, is an old House Bill No. 60, to repeal Article 5 factor, and has been for many years a of the 5th Chapter, Title 5, of the secclose and intelligent observer of the ond part of the Code. Passed third

> Senate Bill No. 58, giving further time for the completion of all railroads in this State. Passed second reading. Senate Bill No. 63, to incorporate the Nashville Gymnastic Association. Referred to Committee on Corporations. Mr. Hurst introduced Senate Bill three years. Sarting,t then, with the No. 82, to incorporate the Tennessee Agricultural and Mechanical Association. Referred to the Committee on

> > Senate Bill No. 84, to compensate the Judges of the Special Courts of the city of Memphis, with petitions. Passed second reading. Senate Bill No. 55, to pay the salaries

> > of certain Judges and Chancellors appointed by the late military Governor of the State, Several amendments were offered and lost. Passed third Senate Bill No 81, for the benefit of discharged Union Soldiers. Passed

third reading. Reconsidered, made the order at 10 a. m. to-morrow. Mr. Smith introduced Senate Bill No. 93, to incorporate the Memphis Turners' Association. Passed first read-2.400,000 ing and referred to Committee on Cor-

> porations. The Senate then adjourned until tomerrow morning at 9 o'clock. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, May 18, 1865. The House was called to order at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hunting- 1862, 1863 and 1864, with amendment.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. Mr Henderson, from committee on Enrolled Bills, reported House bills Nos , 19, 31 and 35 as correctly enrolled. Mr Cooper reported Senate bill No 14, recommending certain amend-

Mr Thomas, of Benton, reported Senate bill No 56, recommending its rejection. NEW BILL

By Mr Gaut: To amend section 114 of the Code. Passed. RESOLUTIONS.

Mr Simmerly's resolution, requiring the public printer to publish the proby virtue of any assignment or trans- Judicial Circuit, and the jurors of the ceedings of the Tennessee Liberty and Union Convention, was adopted. MEMORIAL. Mr Cooper presented a memorial from

the State Treasurer, asking action by the Legislature in providing, for his use, 11, 79, 36, 8, 86, and House bill No 36, several bills and asking the concuran office with suitable furniture. Re- and as amended, recommended their rence of the House. Dr. Wm. Hunt, Local Agent of the ferred to the committee on the State passage.

SENATE BILLS. State for Congressional representation, with a bill in lieu reported by the Com- institution mittee for redistricting the State was taken up. The following is the bill in No 93 to recharter the Tennessee Fire lieu, which passed on its second read- and Marine Insurance Company. Pass-

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee that the counties of Johnson, Carter, Sullivan, Washington, Hawkins, Hancock, Greene, Cocke, Jefferson, Grain-Congressional District. The counties of Claiborne, Union,

Bradley and Roane, shall compose the The counties of Hamilton, Marion, ates, under agree- exhibiting such proof of his right, as Confederate States Army and Caswell Grundy, Bledsoe, VanBuren, Sequatchwhose names we have not learned ton, and Fentress shall compose the for Middle and West Tennessee to see Ayes 34, noes 29. Third Congressional District. The counties of Rutherford, Cannon.

son, Blunt, Monroe, Polk, McMinn,

rebels. That he wanted to see the bill Fourth Congressional Distri-t. The counties of Williamson, Davidson, and Cheatkam shall compose the Fifth Congressional District.

The counties of Lawrence, Wayne, Hardin, Decatur, 1 erry, Lewis, Maury, Hickman, Humphreys, Dickson, Mont-gomery and Stewart shall compose the that it was a piece of impudence for Sixth Congressional Distrist. The counties of Benton, Henry Weakly, Obion, Dyer, Gibson, Lauder-

dale, Henderson and Carroll shall

sections two, three and four of an act of the General Assembly passed the 20th day of February, 1852, entitled an Act them live in the State, and that they had neither the right to vote or hold the same is hereby revived, and the Mr Frazier spoke at some length on the was necessary to bring military power the sphilest or which he said that he is the sphilest or w

ing on concurrence with the Judiciary oncurred in and the bill as amended assed its third and last reading, ayes

A BILL PROM JOINT SERECT COMMITTER. from both Houses was appointed some days since to consult over the matter, and to bring forward such amendments or such a bill as would be likely to meet with general approbation. In view of this, the committee reported a before the House. In general terms it authorizes the

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Governor to organize and equip a sufficient provisional volunteer force to suppress guearilla warfare in the State, ately made the theme of an animated

to the bill providing that each county and sacrificed all their former princi-desiring to raise such force, shall be re ples and their negroes. sponsible for its necessary expenses. Mr Duggan and others opposed the amendment, while some favored it, and, pending the discussion, the House took recess till 2 o'clock. AFTERNOON SESSION.

The discussion of the new military bill reported by a select joint committee was resumed.

Mr. Davis asked leave to withdraw his amendment. Granted
Mr. Mullins spoke at some length in avor of the bill, when Duggan moved the previous question, and the bill passed its first reading.

House bill No. 13, amending an act

Company of Knoxville, with report of committee recommending its passage, Passed second reading.

House bill No. 82, to more effectual. y manage the State Penitentiary, with an amendment abclishing the office of auditing clerk. Passed third and last

House bill No. 48, to incorporate the Great Southwestern Mining and Oil Company. Passed third reading. House bill No. 72, for the benefit of executors and administrators, with an amendment. Passed third reading. House bill No. 27, authorizing county courts to raise a fund for indigent soldiers' families. Passed last reading. House bill No 104 to charter the Union Oil Company, with an amendment incorporating the Sycamore Man-

ufacturing Company. Passed second House bill No. 56, to prevent persons from wearing Rebel uniform. A substitute was presented regulating the imposition of fines on those guilty of a violation of the law. This imposes a fine of not less than five, nor more than the 6th inst. contained an elaborate investment of foreign capital for the review of the condition and prospects development of the mineral wealth of cers for first violation; and for a repetition of the offense, the fine to be in-

> creased A lively discussion ensued, several members participating, the main point of contention being as to what really was rebel uniform.

Mr. Smith was decidedly in favor the bill, and thought there would be very little difficulty in determining who were offenders and who were not. The detestable uniform was to be found everywhere you go in the streets, in the saloons, hotels and theatres. The wearers gloried in their badge, altho' it was a continual insult to loyal eyes, and if they did not feel disposed to doff it Mr Thomas of Benton county was in

favor of the bill, if the status of rebel uniform was regularly defined; otherwise he could not vote for it Mr Simerly suggested that in case of iscarding the Confederate gray, an exthe style of habiliments recently adopt-

ed by Jeff Davis, if it was not so exthe bill passed its third and last reading-ayes 58, noes 5. House bill No. 97, to repeal all laws

in relation to slaves. Passed last read-House bill No. 88, to incorporate the Tennessee Oil, Mining and Manufacturing Company. Passed last reading.
House bill No 97, to supply lost deeds
and title papers. Passed last reading.
House bill No. 80, to release citizens from paying State taxes for the years Passed last reading.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE. Mr. Waters of Wilson was granted leave of absence for five days. MESSAGE OF SENATE.

A messenger from the Senate announcing the passage by that body of red to Committee on Finance. Senate joint resolution No. 65, and asking the concurrence of the House, On motion the House adjourned till to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

(Mr. Dugan's House bill No. 1, with Senate amendment, should have been reported in yesterday's payer as having passed, instead of being lost, on its last reading.-REP) SENATE

FRIDAY, May 19. Senate met at 9 o'clock. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Tawney.
Mr Senter, from the committee on Corporations, reported upon the following bills: Senate bills Nos 82, 70, nounced the passage by that body of

Mr Bowen offered Senate resolution No 67, that the committee on the Asy Senate bill No 56, redistricting the lum for the insane beinstructed to call upon Dr. Cheatham to report on that Society of Memphis. Passed and re-Mr Trimble introduced Senate bill

ed first reading and referred to the committee on Corporations.

Mr Randolph offered Senate resolution No 68, to take the sense of the Senate on the limiting of the elective franchise and regulate the qualifications of ger and Seveir, shall compose the First voters according to the 9th section of the with Granville C. Torbett, late president schedule of the amended Constitution

ratified by the people on the 22d of February last. Mr Frazier offered an amendment that the disfranchisement be only as it concerned the ensuing Congressional State for Congressional representation. Ferry Company. Passed first reading election. This elicited a general dis- An amendment attachin cussion. Mr Sentersaid that East Tenments of parole and disbandment, and the Secretary of the Treasury shall pre- Luttrell. James Kirby recovered ten le, Warren, De Kalb, White, Smith, nessee had the numerical strength and there being now no authorized troops acribe. Provided, however, That no own- thousand dollars off several rebels Cumberland, Putnam, Jackson, Over- could take care of herself, but it was bill as amended passed its last reading. to the franchise or disfranchisement of

> Mr Rogers spoke very freely on the subject, saying that he would do any-thing that he could to put down the reson, Wilson Macon, Sumner, Robert- bellion, that he would not associate with such wilful murderers, that he would disfranchise them all until they had full time to show themselves true to the general government. That they them to come here and ask the immu- ty when deemed necessary. nities of loyal citizens of America.-They should do as a man did in the

county of Knox. When he came there compose the Seventh Congressional after participating in the rebellion for Mr Garrett defended it at some length, some time, he asked only to live there stating that he was utterly opposed to The counties of McNairy, Harde- and not any more to exercise the right any thing favoring military despotism, man, Fayette, Shelby, Tipton, Madison of an American citizen. That the prodi- and would favor vesting in the civil and Haywood shall compose the Eighth gal son had been received into his fa-Congressional District. ther's house but was more in the form Sec. 2. Be it further enacted that of a servant, and he felt himself as ther's house but was more in the form crimes.

the United States. That he was for the committee who reported certain past proclamations of our lamented amendments. The smeadments were President Lincoln and Andrew Johns President Lincoln and Andrew Johnson, until they are prove to me to be abjured. At the election in February They will be found in another placent. nd March there were a certain num-The military bills heretofore before the Legislature, having elicited a great deal of discussion without any concerted, harmonious acction being had on the control of the present these who came up and voted for rational control of the present the second of t ber of rebels who voted, and take the fication, and supported the present Governor of Tennessee? should he disfranchise them? He never would, and as the Senator from Davidson very properly asked, where will you draw E. R. Ray, and J. R. Battle, and in rethe line. In his Senatorial District gard to the communication of V. K. bill differing from all others previously there was a large vote cast for the ratification of the amended constitution and three-fourths of the voters had been inked up to the heels in the rebellion. He told them that if the amended constitution was adopted that it would become the law of the land On its presentation, it was immedi- and slavery was abolished, and that if he was elected he would vote for the amended constitution of the United States, and they came up like patriots

> Mr. Rogers asked how it would be n the fall? Mr. Frazer could not tell, and that was why he did not know that one side Company, with an amendment. Passed wouldswallow up the other, and he wanted to know who would rule in this State unless the future would settle

the question. Mr. Trimble did not propose to dis cuss the merits of the question, but wished to know if the resolution would help us along or expedite the business. The great end we all have is to have the governing of Tennessee in loyal hands, and to make it a free loyal State of the United States. That this resolution proposed to take the sense incorporating the Clay Street Railroad of the Senate on the 9th section of the amended constitution. He could not see the use of it, as they had the bill now under the joint Judiciary Committee's consideration, and the anxiety of the Senate embarrassed the members

of the committee Mr. Trimble moved that it be laid over informally, which motion prevailed. A message from the House informed

the Senate that it had passed House bill No. 12, and adopted House Joint Resolution No. 42, Senate Joint Resolution No 66, and Senate bill No. 14, with amendments, asking the concurrence of the Senate in the same. Con-

Mr Trimble offered Senate Resolution No. 69: To ascertain the indebtedness of the State, at the instance of Mr Butler, in lieu of Senate bill No. 10 on the same subject. Adopted. Senate bill No. 80: For the benefit

of discharged Union soldiers. Passed second reading. Senate bill No. 95: Directory to Revenue Collectors. Passed first reading. Senate bill No. 58: To extend the time for the completion of railroads in this State. Laid on the table. Senate Bill No. 84, to compensate the Judges of the Special Courts of the city

of Memphis, accompanied by memorials,

passed its third reading and transmit-

ied to the House. the Governor, giving the correspond- num ence between himself, James T. Dunlap, and others, on the return of the Assets of the Bank of Tennessee, etc., which will be foun in another c column. On motion the message was read and adopted, and requested to be printed in all the daily papers, and transmitted

to the House. House Joint Resolution No. 42: That the public printer of the State be revoluntarily, they should be compelled quired to print and publish, with the acts of this Assembly, the proceedings of the Liberty and Union Convention. with the alterations and amendments of the Constitution and the schedule annexed by said Convention. Adop-

Mr. Case was granted leave of ab-Senate Bill No. 14, for the raising of revenue, was returned from the House with amendments, which were concurred in by the Senate.

House Bill No. 12, to incorporate the Bridgeman Coal and Salt Company. Passed first reading and referred to the Committee on Corporations. The Senate then adjourned until to-

morrow morning at the usual hour. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. FRIDAY, May 19, 1865 -The House came to order at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Huntington.

PETITION. Mr. Arnell presented a petition from the Chancellor of the 4th Chancery division, praying for the payment of certain funds due him for services rendered since 1862. Also a bill authori zing the State Comptroller to pay such funds. Passed first reading and refer-

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. Mr. Henderson from the Committee on Enrolled Bills reported House bills No. 12 and 14 as correctly enrolled. Mr. Duggan, from the Committee on Corporations, reported House bill 116. which was placed on the calendar. Mr. Cooper, from the Judiciary Com mittee, reported House bills Nos. 112, 117, 78 and 115, recommending their rejection. Also House bill No. 109, and | tions. recommended its passage.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE. A messenger from the Senate an-

By Mr. Ryder: To incorporate the United Hebrew Brethren Benevolent ferred to Committee on Ways and

Senate resolution No. 64 was taken up and adopted This requests the Governor to lay before the House cer tain correspondence with the late Comptroller of the Treasury; also with V K. Stevenson, President of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad; and af the Bank of Tennessee, if such information will not be injurious to the

SENATE BILL. Senate bill No. 56, redistricting the county to fifth, and Macon county to the sixth District was adopted, and the

HOUSE BILLS. House bill No 109, to amend the laws in regard to the Bank of Tennessee at Nashville. Passed second read-

House bill No 124, authorizing the Governor to raise a volunteer provisional force for the suppression of guerrillas, and for other purposes. Mr Garret offered a bill in lieu, which in general terms, authorizes the Governor to establish patrols in each coun-Mr Hudson thought it would be utterly impracticable to carry out the provisions of the bill in lieu Mr Garrett defended it at some length.

and would favor vesting in the civil Mr Hermans was against the bill in ed second reading. lieu. The cries of suffering loyalty de-

same shall govern and control all per- the subject, on which he said that he into requisition, Federal troops were sous therein named, and this act shall stood ready to disfrauchise any man the more preferable, but favored the take effect from its passage.

Senate bill No 14, to amend the reveal enue laws of the State, the question bethat would prove to him that he is not civil courts having the fullest power in the regulation of the matters referred enue laws of the State, the question bethe law, not only of Tennessee, but to in the bill.

After their reading by the Clerk, Mr. Hood offered the following resolutions which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved by the Senste and House of Resolved hy the Senste and House Resolved by the Senste and House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee, That the action of His Excellency, William G. Brownlow, Governor of the State, in regard to the President and officers of the Hank of Tennessee, and in regard to the communic addressed to him by J. T. Dunlap gard to the communication of V. K.

Stevenson, meet our hearty approval. Leave of absence was granted for few days to four members. On motion, the House took a recess till 2 o'clock. AFTERNOON SESSION SENATE HILLS

Senste bill No. 68, to establish the Eighth Chancery District of Tennessee. Passed first reading. Senate bill No. 31, repealing an act incorporating the Gay Street Railroad Company of Knoxville. Passed third and lest reading. Senate bill No. 15, to iscorporate the

second reading. NEW HOUSE BULL Mr. Hord, on leave of the House, in and 100 copies ordered printed.

THE MILITARY BILL. Mr. Garrett having withdrawn his bill in lieu, the consideration of Hous-bill No. 124 was resumed. Mr. Doughty spoke in favor of bill, saying that, under all the circumstances, a better bill could not be pre-

Mr. Raulston proposed as an amendment, a substitute, that section 474 of the code be repealed, and the militia Monday. laws of the State put in force. On motion to lay it on the table, the amendment was lost-ayes 32, noes 27. SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Senate bill No 18, to amend the criminal laws of the State. Passed Senate bill No 25, to amend the mi itia laws of the State. Passed. Senate bill No 3, to provide for the election of county officers. Passed. Senate bill No 77, to extend section Passed. 1759 of the Code for the benefit of loyal Hous

persons injured in person or property. investment of funds, and for other pur- Passed. poses. Passed. Senate bill No 59, to repeal an act repealing section 4766 of the Code. Pass-

Senate bill No 61, to discourage treason, and defend justice. Passed. Senate bilt No 72, to accept a certain grant of land proffered by the United Sates Government. Passed. proceedings. Passed. Senate bill No 67, to incorporate the

A special message was received from of Memphis a salary of \$2000 per an-HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING. House bill No 84, amending section 17 of the Code. Passed. House bill No 106, repealing 3809 the Code. Laid over till next October. that the bill as it is should be immedi-

> county fund the railroad fund of Blount county. Passed. House bill No 79, to establish a claim agency for Tennessee interests in the city of Washington, Passed. House bill No 81, to incorporate the Memphis Ladies' Institute, Referred to Committee on Education.

RESOLUTION. Mr. Duggan offered a resolution ex- till Monday morning at 9 o'clock. tending the working hours of the MESSAGE FROM SENATE.

A message from the Senate announced the passage by that body of various bills, and asking the concurrence of the House. On motion, the House adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clouk.

SENATE. SATURDAY, May 20, 1865. Senate met at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr Tawney. Mr. Bosson was granted leave of ab-

sence for two days. Mr Frazer presented a memorial from W. B. Campbell, President, and Sam'l T. Mottley, Cashier of the Bank of Middle Tennessee, saking the Legislature to accept their charter and relieve them from the tax imposed on Ranks. and give such aid by legislation as will said Bank. Mr Peart introduced Senate Bill No

voters in Tennessee. Passed first read-House Joint Resolution No 32, de claring certain civil offices vacant, and providing for the filling of the same. Concurred in.

Mr Bowen introduced Senate Bill No 7, to incorporate the Sipsia Oil and Mining Company. Passed first reading and referred to the Committee on Corpora-A message from the House informed the Senate that it had adopted House oint resolution No. 44, that no new

bills from the Committee on Finance, and ask concurrence of the Senate in the same. On motion laid on the table. Senate bill No. 68, to provide for limitations of actions and for other purposes. Passed third reading. House bill No. 62, to amend the

Assembly after Monday next, except

Statute of Limitations, was indefinately postponed Mr. Frazier, from Special Committee reported on Senate bills Nos. 40 and 83 and offered accompanying bills in lieu, recommending their passage. Senate bill No. 94, to recharter the Tennessee Fire and Marine Insurance Company. Passed second reading and referred to the Committee on Corpora-

Senate bill No. 87, raising the price of the code. Withdrawn, Mr Smith introduced Senate bill No 98 to incorporate the Memphis Steam and referred to the committee porations.

Mr Frazier introduced Senate bill No 99, to accept the Charter of the Bank of Middle Tennessee. Passed first reading and with memorial referred to the committee on Banks. Senate bill No 82, to incorporate the East Tennessee Petroleum Company .-Passed second reading. Senate bill No 79, to incorporate the

Manchester and Barren Fork Mining

and Manufacturing Company. Passed econd reading.
Senate bill No 70, to incorporate the Memphis, Mound City and Arkansas Steam Packet Company. Passed second reading.
Senate bill No 11, to incorporate the Nashville Barbers' Aassociation. Pass-

ed second reading.

Senate bill No 37, to incorporate the
Tennessee Mountain Petroleum and Mining Company. Passed second read-

Senate bill No 8, to charter the Memphis Savings Bank. Passed second Senate bill No 86, to incorporate the

Mr Lasater was granted leave of abscence until Tuesday next. The Senate then adjourned until Monday morning at the usual hour.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MORNING SERSION. SATURDAY, May 20. The House came to order at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Huntington. Mr Duggan from the Committee Corporations reported House bill 31. Placed on the calendar.

TO BECONSIDER. Mr Elliott moved to reconsider House bill No 31, creating a railroad in the city of Nashville. Concurred in, and bill withdrawn for amendment.

NEW BILLS. By Mr Gaut: To incorporate the Cumberland Mining and Petroleum Company. Passed and referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr Steele: To collect taxes in lawful money of the United States.

Passed and referred to Committee on

Ways and Means,
By Mr Ryder: To incorporate the
Union Transfer Company of Memphis.
Passed and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements, By Mr. Grimmett: to disfranchise

rebel soldiers and citizens. Passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee By Mr. Grove: House joint resolution. Tennesse Fire and Marine Insurance that the General Assembly adjourn on Monday, 29th inst, to meet on the lat

Monday in October. Laid over till Monday morning.

By the same: That no new bills shall troduce a bill repealing the internal be introduced after Monday, 22d inst, improvement laws of the State. Passed except bills from the Finance Committee. Adopted and transmitted to the

Senate. BILLS ON SECOND READING. Senate bill No. 66, to establish the eighth Chancery District of Tennessee, with amendment, Passed, House bill No 116, to incorporate the Union Mining Company. Passed. House bill No. 101, to attach the counties of Morgan and Scott to the third Judicial Circuit. Laid over till

House bill No 113, to change the time for holding the Chancery Court at Athens and Benton. Passed. House bill No 114, to charter Tennessee Express Company. Passed.
House bill No 110, to amend the charter of the Cleveland and Ducktown Railroad Company. Passed. House bill No 89, to inco-porate the Tennessee and Cumberland Oil and

Mining Company, with amendments. House bill No 121, to incorporate the East Tennessee and Cumberland Mountain Petroleum, Coal, Iron, salt, Copper Senate bill No 46, authorizing the and Zinc Company, with amendments.

MESSAGE FROM SENATE. A message from the Senate was received, announcing concurrence by that body with House joint resolution No 31; also non-concurrence with House amendments to Senate bill No 2. HOUSE BILL ON THIRD BEADING. House bill No 104, to charter the

Union Oil Company. Passed. House bill No 109, to amend the laws in regard to the Bank of Tennessee This, among other amendments, pro-Agnomen Club of Nashville. Passed. Senate bill No 84, allowing Judges of vides for five directors, one of whom the Common La" and Criminal Courts shall be President: the Cashier to be appointed by the directors, and receive a salary of \$2000; the President to be allowed \$1000. An amendment was proposed in reference to the payment of outstanding bonds, but on the explanation of Mr.

Cooper that it was of great importance

drawn and the bill passed its third and last reading, ayes 56, noes none. House bill No 38, to incorporate the Appalache Oil and Mining Company. assed. LEAVE OF ABSENCE. Mr Moss was granted leave of absence until Monday morning.

Honse bill No 120, to change to a ately passed, the amendment was with-

On motion, the House then adjourned

The Food-Producing Capacity of the There is much present distress in the South; and more is to be apprehended. But it is impossible that in a country possessing agricultural capacities sufficient to feed more than twenty times its population, there can be any permas nent difficulty of this kind. A few months labor by each Southern man, without distinction to color, would easily supply all that is absolutely re-

quired for sustenance. The Agricultural Census Report of 1860 is full of proofs of Southern pro-ductiveness of food Many of our readers will be surprised to learn that Virginia raised more wheat in that year, and Alabama more swine, than Pennsylvania; that South Carolina enable them to wind up and liquidate | produced more than 4,000,000 bushels of sweet potatoes, and that several of the other insurgent States exceeded that smount; that Georgia and South Carolina yielded more than 170,000,000 96, to provide for the registration of pounds of rice; that there were 15,562,-867 swine in the Southern States, 14.-435,316 in the Western States, and only 2,614,236 in the Middle States: and that the product in the Middle and Southern States of the great staples of wheat, rye, and corn, was as

follows:

No of bushels to Middle States, No. of bash, each inhabitant. Wheat...... 30,502,900 3.62 75,318,465 pills be introduced into this General Corn .. Total......118,068,674 14 29 No of bushels to South'n States. No of bush, each inhabitant, Wheat...... 31,441,826 3.50 2,203,052 2.56 Corn282,626,778 31 49

PRODUCT OF 1860

Total......316 271,656 The inhabitants of a country that has made such additions, and others of almost equal importance, to its vast products of cotton, sugar, and tobacco. however much they have suffered from the ravages of war, cannot, in a mild climate, where comparatively little shelter or clothing are required, have a dark future, unless they have entirely lost the instinct of self-preservation, and all power to exert a self-sustaining energy. If the destiny of the South is to be

narrowed down to a mere question of existence, it is evident its inhabitants can secure the means of sustaining life with less real trouble than any other people on the globe. The whole "Confederacy" can keep body and soul together with one half the work that is required from the citizens of New England, or of New York, or of Pennsylvania, respectively. Some new industrial system can certainly be inaugurated to do the little that they require to obtain all the necessaries of life, sustained as they are, for the present, in many instances, by the bounty of our Government, and encouraged by its expressed desire to promote the re-organ-ization of labor.

It is folly to doubt the ability of the South, in the absence of slave labor, to raise all that is required for food and raiment. It is more probable that the chief difficulty in re-establishing the culture of cotton sugar, rice, and to-bacco, will arise from the ease with which potatoes, corn, wheat, and swine can be procured, and the disinclination ing
House bill No 37, to incorporate the
Rawlston Oil and Salt Company. Passed second reading.

Can be procured, and the disincimation
of the emancipated laborers to continue
the steady toil necessary to insure the
first-named crops, after they have been
relieved from the accustomed compulsory influences.

We expect much, however, from the demonstrated superiority of American soil for cotton culture and the peren-Mr. Henderson thought that when it Tennessee Manufacturing and Improve-vas necessary to bring military power ment Company. Passed second read-be a constant stimulus to exertion, and it will combine influences that will eventually overcome all temporary dif-ficulties. The South will yet prove that, under a free labor system, she can feed

